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Role of the Regional Representation

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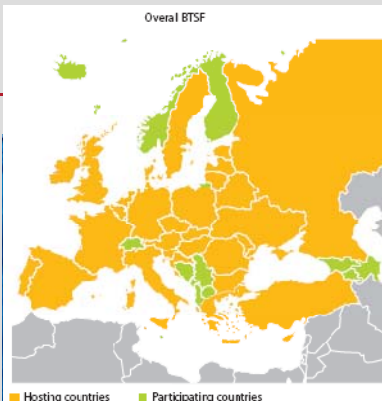
... is a Commission training initiative covering food and feed law, animal health and welfare and plant health rules. It trains Member State and candidate country national authority staff involved in official controls in these areas.



... Une meilleure formation pour une alimentation plus saine..



... est une initiative de formation de la Commission qui couvre la législation alimentaire et des aliments, ainsi que les règles sur la santé et le bien-être animales et la protection des végétaux. Elle forme le personnel des Etats Membres et des administrations nationales des pays candidats à l'élargissement de l'Union et qui sont impliqué dans les contrôles officiels dans ces secteurs.



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Since 2009, training is also organised specifically for third, particularly developing country participants so as to familiarise them with EU requirements. This should help to ease access to the EU market for products from developing countries.

Since / Depuis 2009 



Depuis 2009, des formations sont également organisées spécifiquement pour des pays tiers, en particulier pour des participants de pays en voie de développement afin de les familiariser avec des conditions de l'Union. Ceci devrait aider à faciliter l'accès au marché européen des produits en provenance des pays en voie de développement.

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Between 2006 – 2010

Around 520 events
Over 23.000 participants
Budget of approx. € 54 million
Approx. 35% in third countries



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BTSF for Africa



“A continent-wide joint AU-EU training programme from the European Commission under the *“Food Security Thematic Programme”* to assist African countries improve their food security situation through a better knowledge and application of sanitary and phytosanitary measures”



€ 10 million

« Un programme continental de formation conjoint UA-UE de la Commission Européenne dans le cadre du «*programme thématique sécurité alimentaire*» pour aider les pays africains à améliorer leur situation de sécurité alimentaire par une meilleure connaissance et application des mesures sanitaires et phytosanitaires »

- Strengthen capacity of African countries on human, animal and plant health issues,
- Support food safety and hence food security through both technical training and policy advice,
- Help African countries produce agro-food products compatible with international standards,
- Contribute to reducing food-borne disease,
- Support competitiveness of the agro-food sector and contribute to rural development in Africa and in the longer run promote regional trade.

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- Renforcer la capacité des pays africains en matière de santé humaine, animale et végétale,
- Appuyer la sécurité sanitaire alimentaire et par conséquent la sécurité alimentaire même par la formation technique et le conseil en matière de politiques,
- Aider les pays africains à produire des produits agro-alimentaires compatibles avec les normes internationales,
- Contribuer à la réduction des maladies (toxi-) alimentaires,
- Appuyer la compétitivité du secteur agroalimentaire, contribuer au développement rural en Afrique et favoriser à plus long terme, le commerce régional.

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building capacity
in small and medium-
size enterprises through
sustained training

regional workshops,
continental workshops
& conferences





Renforcement des capacités des petites et moyennes entreprises à travers des formations soutenues

ateliers régionaux, ateliers et conférences continentales



- Evaluation of performance of Veterinary Services
- Improvement of national / regional legal framework on animal health
- Laboratory capacity (twinning)
- Training of CVOs and national focal points.



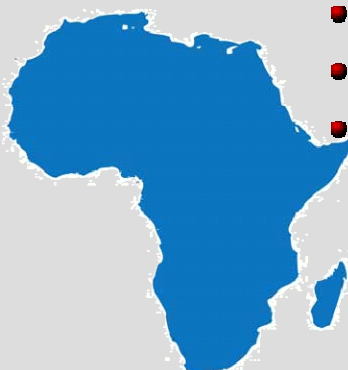
€5.4 million



- Evaluation de la performance des Services Vét.
- Amélioration du cadre législatif national/régional en matière de santé animale
- Capacitation des laboratoires (jumelages)
- Formation des délégués et points focaux nat.



2009 - 2011



- Formation des délégués et points focaux nationaux



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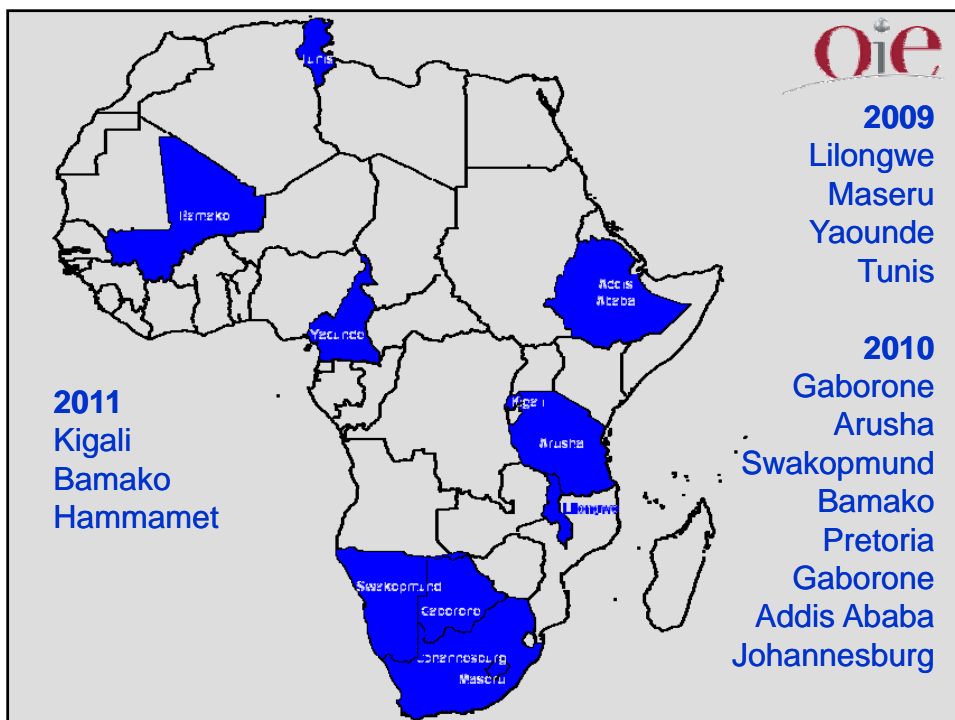
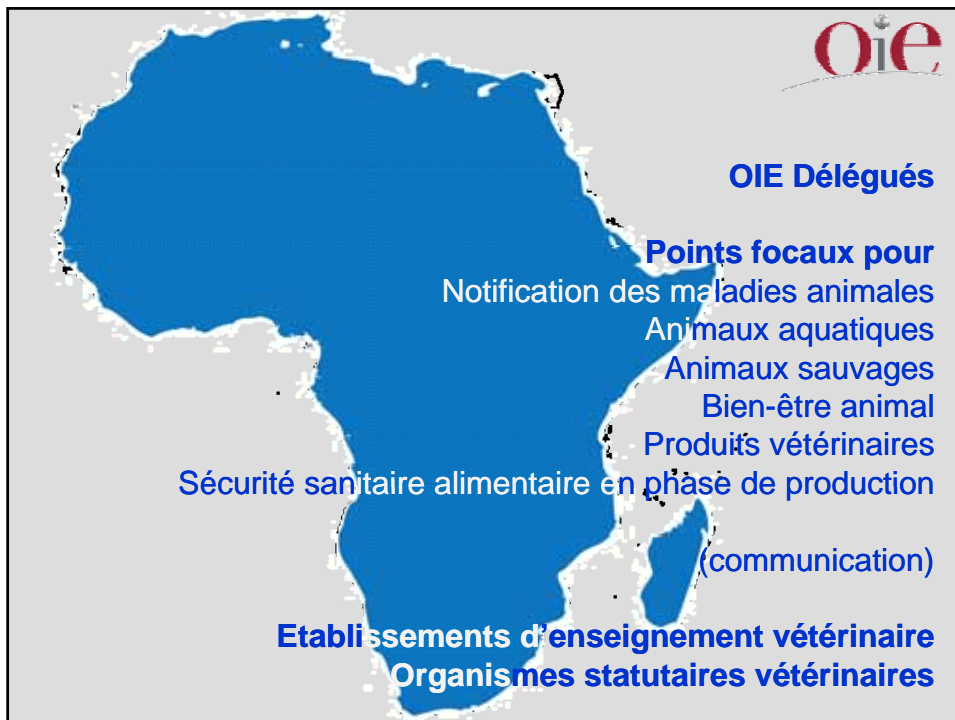


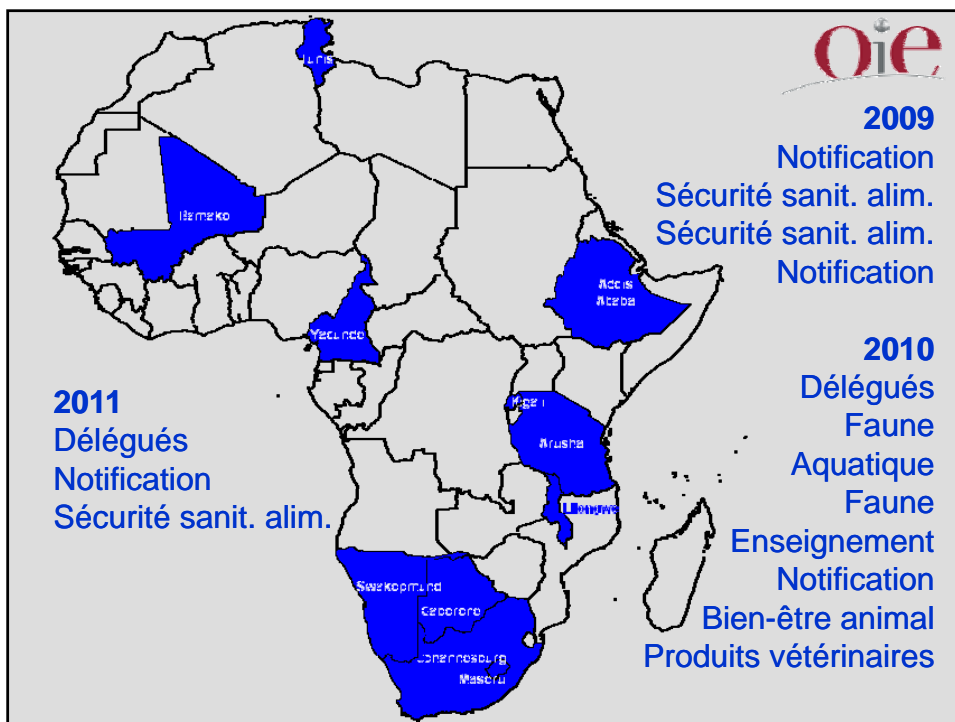
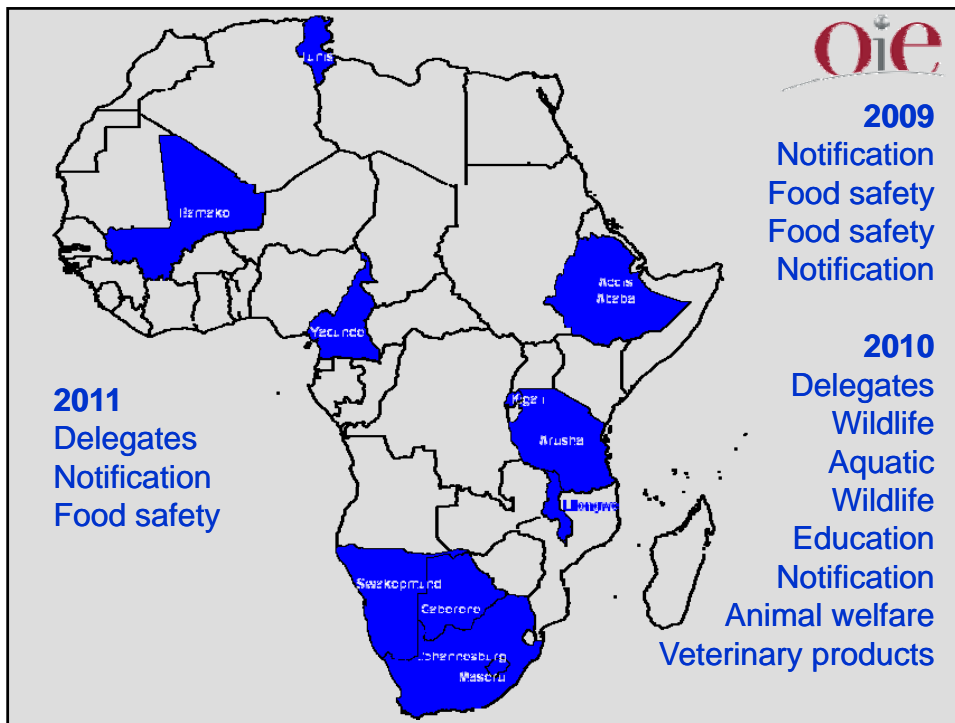
OIE Delegates

Focal points for
Animal disease notification
Aquatic animals
Wild animals
Animal Welfare
Veterinary products
Animal production food safety

(communication)

**Veterinary educational establishments (VEE)
Veterinary statutory bodies (VSB)**





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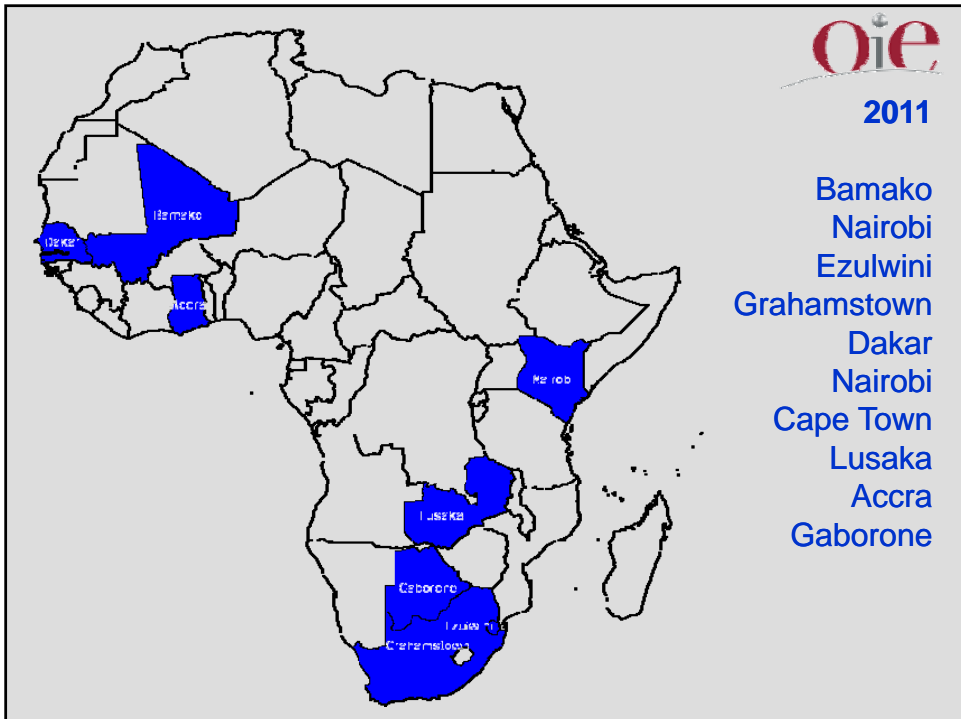


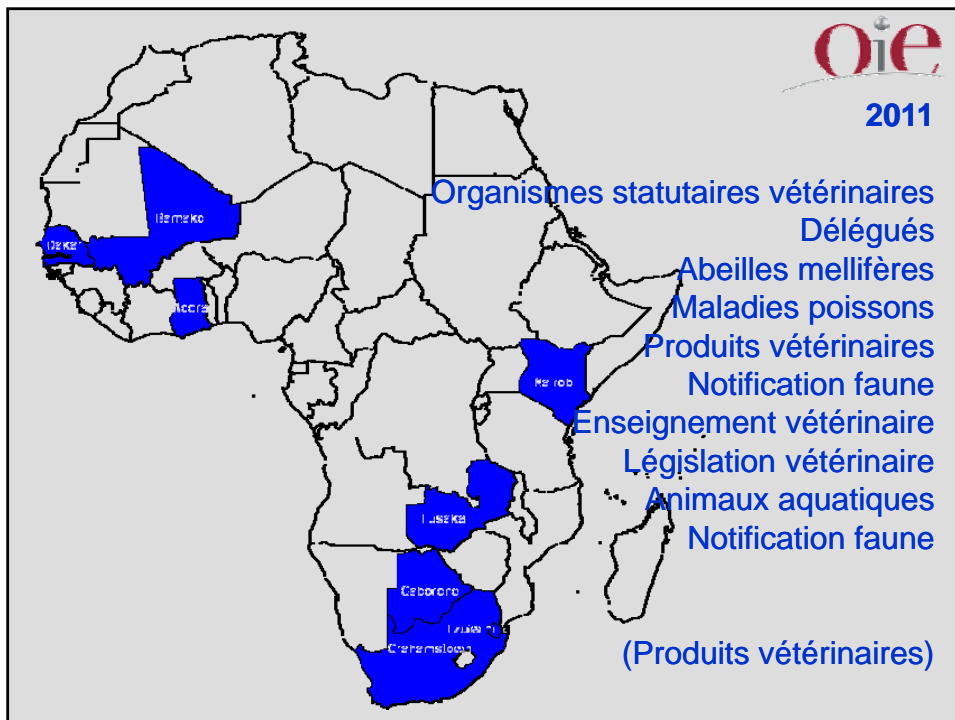
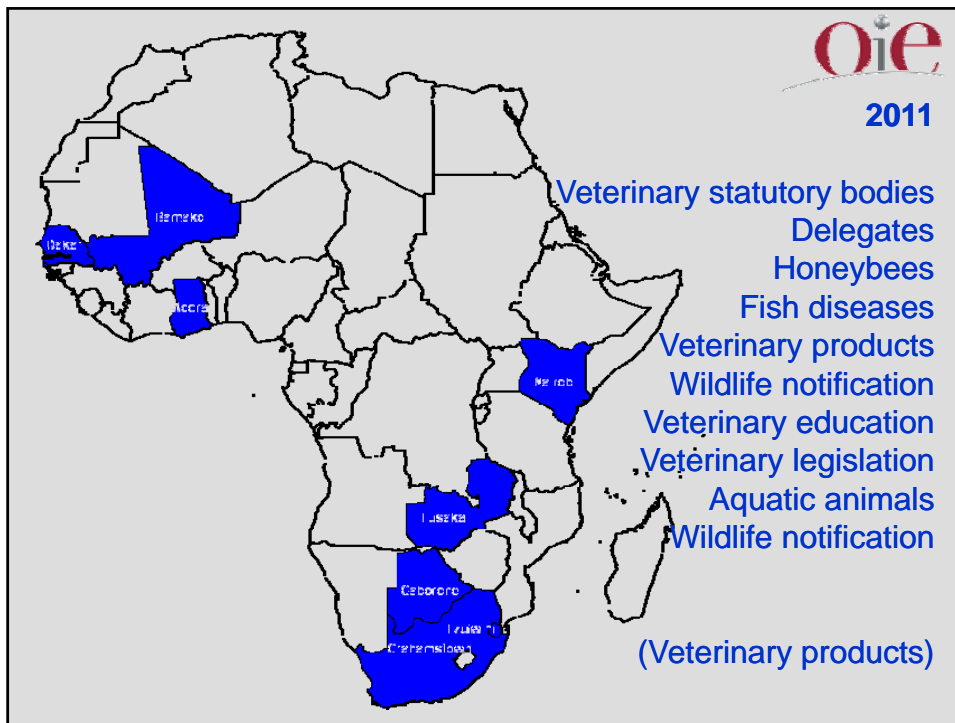
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Southern African countries commit to region-wide FMD control under FAO and OIE patronage.



Gaborone, 18 March 2011. For a full week, Gaborone was buzzing with over 70 Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) experts, diagnostic experts and epidemiologists who attended two consecutive seminars, the first of which was organised by the FAO, with the support of the Botswana Vaccine Institute (BVI), the European Union Commission for Foot and Mouth Disease (EU-FMD) and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, through the FAO Trust Fund. The workshop was officially opened by Honourable Minister of Agriculture for Botswana, Mr Christiaan De Graaff (picture) with the Permanent Secretary, Dr Mucus Chimbombi and the OIE Delegate, Dr T.K. Phillemon-Motsu present. [Read more...](#)

Veterinary staff trained on international reporting of animal diseases to OIE



Bamako, 11 March 2011. The seminar on the notification of animal diseases (sanitary information training WAHIS II) united 36 participants, including 25 national focal points for animal diseases notification through WAHIS. Out of the 28 countries which were invited only two did not respond (Cape Verde and S. Tomé & Príncipe). The registered Tunisian focal point could not obtain government clearance in time to attend the seminar. The logistics provided by a local event management company, functioned well, although the dedicated 512 Kbps internet connection was barely sufficient to manage the 30 computers in simultaneous connection.

The training course, as usual, was successful, though focal points present expressed the need for more time to be allocated to the practical exercises. They also reiterated that they would prefer to be dealing with one single database in order to avoid repeated data-entry which is both time-consuming and may lead to errors. [Read more...](#)

News

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- 03.2011 OIE WAHIS training Bamako, Mali
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- 02.2011 OIE Global Wildlife Conference [FR]
- 02.2011 OIE Regional Commission for Africa [RW]
- 02.2011 PVS Pathway Seminar Kigali [RW]
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Town, South Africa on 10-14 October 2011. [Read more...](#)

OIE hosts the first global conference on wildlife health & biodiversity in Paris



Paris, February 25, 2011. Gathered at the three-day OIE and partners Global Conference on Wildlife in Paris, France, high-profile world experts in animal health, public health and wildlife examined the growing threats that bring emerging and re-emerging pathogens of wild and domestic animal origin to proliferate. "Knowing that over 60% of pathogens are of animal origin, 70% of which come from wildlife and that 73% of infectious emerging animal diseases can be transmitted to humans, an understanding of the complex interplay between wild and domestic animals, humans and environmental ecosystems calls for a global and holistic approach, which the Conference fully achieved." OIE Director General Dr. Bernard Vallat said. [Presentations](#) [Read more](#) [Pictures](#)

19th OIE Regional Commission for Africa in Kigali breaks attendance record



Kigali, February 18, 2011. The 19th Conference of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) Regional Commission for Africa was held in Kigali (Rwanda) from 14 to 18 February 2011. The Conference was chaired by Mrs Agnes Mathilda Kalibata, Rwanda's Minister of Agriculture and Animal resources. Dr Theogene Rutagwenda, Delegate of Rwanda to the OIE and Dr Berthe Gebreziabher, President of the OIE Regional Commission for Africa. Bernard Vallat, Director General of the OIE, senior Ministry officials, the Delegates of 40 Member Countries of the OIE Regional Commission for Africa, representatives of international and regional organisations and numerous observers also participated in the Conference. [Read more.....](#)

Iconic Ankole cattle from Rwanda
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OIE Delegates meet in Kigali to discuss the PVS pathway



Kigali, February 14, 2011. OIE policies on Good Veterinary Governance were the focus of interventions by Dr Bernard Vallat, Director General of OIE during OIE PVS Pathway Regional Seminar held in Kigali (Rwanda) on the 14th February 2011. Approximately 30 participants from 39 African countries have participated at this seminar, organised just before 19th Conference of the OIE Regional Commission for Africa (February 15 - 18, 2011). [Read more.....](#)




Dr. Berthe Gebreziabher, President of the OIE Regional Commission for Africa.
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BETTER TRAINING FOR SAFER FOOD IN AFRICA OIE PROGRAMME



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Calendar of events

-  OIE - BTSF Regional Training Course
Animal production food safety (Africa).
April 4 - 8, 2011
Hammamet, Tunisia
-  GF-TADS Steering Committee
Meeting
April 4 - 6, 2011
Nairobi, Kenya
-  ALIVE Executive Committee
and General Assembly Meetings
April 6 - 7, 2011
Nairobi, Kenya
-  OIE seminar on the role of the veterinary
statutory bodies
April 14 - 15, 2011
Bamako, Mali
-  AU-IDA/R Annual meeting of the African
Chief Veterinary Officers (CVO)
May 2 - 4, 2011
Nairobi, Kenya
-  SADC Livestock Technical
Committee (LTC) meeting
May 10 - 12, 2011
Gaborone, Botswana
-  Second Global Conference on Veterinary
Education (Vet-2011)
May 12 - 16, 2011
Lyon, France
-  79th OIE General Session and Meeting of
the Regional Commission for Africa
May 23 - 27, 2011
Paris, France



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10. SWAKOPMUND, NAMIBIA
TRAINING ON OIE FOCAL POINTS FOR AQUATIC ANIMAL DISEASES (AFRICA).



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15. GABORONE, BOTSWANA
TRAINING OF RECENTLY DESIGNATED OIE DELEGATES IN AFRICA (AFRICA).



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6. GABORONE, BOTSWANA

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Through BTSF - Africa, over the past two years, €10 million have been mobilised to fund capacity building activities. Launched in 2005, the BTSF programme has provided training to both European and third country officials who are responsible for checking that EU rules related to food and feed, animal health and welfare and plant health are properly applied.

The key objective is to support food safety mainly by the transfer of technical expertise and policy advice in areas of food safety and quality across Africa. The knowledge, expertise and skills transferred will help to produce and distribute agro-food products compatible with international SPS standards, contributing towards the reduction of the likelihood of food-borne diseases and the related health and socio-economic burden.

CAPACITY BUILDING CONDUCTED



1. Training on the implementation of WAHIS and WAHID for OIE focal points for the notification of animal diseases and for aquatic animal diseases (southern Africa).
Lilongwe, Malawi, 21 - 24 April 2009.
2. Training on imports of animal products: risk or opportunity? (English-speaking southern Africa).
Maseru, Lesotho, 8 - 12 June 2009 (in cooperation with the WTO).
3. Training of OIE focal points for animal production food safety (Africa).
Yaounde, Cameroon, 24 - 26 September 2009
4. Training on the implementation of WAHIS and WAHID for OIE focal points for the notification of animal diseases (advanced).
Tunis, Tunisia, 11 - 13 November 2009.
5. Training of recently designated OIE Delegates in Africa (Africa).
Gaborone, Botswana, 9 - 12 March 2010.
6. Training of OIE focal points for wildlife (English speaking Africa).
Arusha, Tanzania, 16 - 19 March 2010.



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OIE-BTSF CAPACITY BUILDING 2011

-  Regional Training Course for OIE Delegates (Africa) on the OIE PVS process.
Kigali, Rwanda, 14 February 2011
-  Regional Training Course Focal points Notification of animal diseases.
Bamako, Mali, 8 - 10 March 2011
-  Regional Training Course Focal points Animal production food safety (Africa).
Tunis, Tunisia, 4 - 8 April 2011
-  OIE seminar on the role of the veterinary statutory bodies
Bamako, Mali, 14 - 16 April 2011
-  Regional Training Course for newly

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